

Alpine School Council Agenda

Wednesday, February 27, 2019



6:30 p.m. in the library

Present: Rita Givlin, Heike Koester, Mya W-G, April Cousineau, Jessica Beaucage, Dawn McMullen Koehler,

Regrets: Lea Becker, Judy Oke

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Principal's Update

Challenges

- parents parking in the parking lot and letting children out in the no stopping zones remains a concern especially with all of the snow and bus cancellation days

Grade 6 Camp

- Plan C now has the grade 6 students going on March 6-8, 2019

HERO Generation

- we continue to practice mindful breathing together as a school each morning and appreciate that parents and students arriving late join in;
- many classes are breathing together at other times during the day and the students report enjoying it and finding it really helps;
- our focus in March is on Optimism - the family package will come home on Friday if it has not been sent already,;
- Jim Moss one of the founders of Plasticity will be speaking to staff and students on March 1;
- Thanks to a school council recommendation Sherrylee Honeyghan and her daughter Sheriauna will be speaking to our Alligators on March 27th

Community Pancake Breakfast

- Friday, March 8 from 8:15-9:00 a.m.;
- All are welcome;
- Donations to NFL are appreciated but not necessary;
- We just want our families to enjoy breakfast on us
- Thanks to our amazing staff for taking this on!

Kindergarten Registrations

- Currently we have 15 new JK friends for 2019/2020
- If and Alligator parents are aware of other children coming for JK, please encourage them to register ASAP as it greatly helps with planning for next year.

Bus Cancellation Days

- On February 25 we had 101 students present and 186 students absent

Winter Carnival

- The weather was perfect, our students were engaged, staff were well-prepared and everyone had a great deal of fun. We hope you saw the pictures on Twitter.

Dance-a-thon

- The kids loved this too! What a wonderful time. Many thanks to our team of volunteers from council who made this day possible.
- Congratulations to our winners Top Earner and winner of a \$50 ToysRUs certificate Abigail VanAmeron, Second Place Earner and winner of a \$25 ToysRUs certificate Murphy Dietz, random draw from all pledge forms returned and winner of family movie passes Hassnian Hussein and 2A winner of the ice cream party.
- Ice Cream Party - April purchasing, Dawn and Jessica serving, Mya checking with Christy regarding best time and date
- Next year: increase number of rings and head bands, laser pointers and more LED glasses (smaller best for kid faces)
- 16% of students returned pledge forms (46)

Staff Update

- Alpine will be saying goodbye to Lindsey Morrow in 1/2A and welcoming Una Malic who is returning from maternity leave.

Financial Update

Date	Event	Revenue	Expenses (less rebates)	Difference	Running Balance
end 2018					22091.39
Nov 9, 2018	Movie Night	286.25	157.54	128.71	128.71
	SD Fee		4.63		-4.63
	interentity reimburse less rebate		134.76		-134.76
Dec 2018	MacMillans	5216	3059.89	2156.13	2156.13
Dec 2018	Rheo	2013	1080	933	933

	Thompson				
	interentity - playground		19760.88		-19760.88
January 2019	transfer Macmillans to school				-2156.13
Jan 25, 2019			24197.7		3252.83
February 2019	Dance-a-thon			1737.19	4990.02

Fundraising

Fun Fair - volunteers are desperately needed this year
Without volunteers we will not be able to proceed.

Use of Parent Involvement Funding

Each school will receive \$500 for projects that demonstrate inclusion/outreach to school communities. Examples of expenditures that demonstrate parent engagement, inclusion, equity and/or outreach to school communities may include:

- support of the School Improvement Plan;
- costs related to parent engagement activities in your school;
- translation of posters/literature;
- purchase of parenting books or videos to loan to parents;
- engagement initiatives that support optimizing student learning and achievement;
- meeting costs including honoraria for guest presenters;
- costs related to parent information/orientation sessions;
- costs incurred for workshops supporting student learning and achievement;
- costs related to the development and maintenance of the school websites;
- initiatives that assist special community populations facing access/involvement barriers.

Decision:

- Home reading and HERO Generation books

Council goals for 2018/2019 -

staff wish list, council ideas

- Home reading collection
- Laminator
- iPads
- Permanent green screen
- GAGA Ball pit
- Outdoor shed
- Megaphone
- Waterproof portable speaker for outside
- Kindie mud kitchen

School purchases

- Art supplies - watercolours, pastels, plasticine
- Science guided reading books
- HERO trait books

Parent council would like to support in order:

1. Green screen
2. Megaphone
3. Outside speaker
4. GaGa ball pit
5. Kindie mud kitchen
6. Little Library

Increasing size of council

Ideas:

Would providing babysitting help? - Rita reach out to other admin, April reach out to WRAPSC

Use of technology to allow virtual attendance?

Personal letter/video from council - after each meeting

Contact parents who want to volunteer as per initial forms - Rita

Instagram volunteer needed for council account

Teacher Appreciation

[Alpine Staff Appreciation](#)

May 9, 2019 - drop off before school
Sign up list for donations to go out on school day
Volunteer needed to set up

Alpine's 2018-2019 School Council

Co-Chairs: April Cousineau, Jessica Beaucage

Secretary: Rita Givlin

Parent Representatives: Amanda Galway, Judy Oke, Jennifer Smerek, Donald Mann, Ryan Galway, Jennifer McCuaig, Mandy Clark, Dawn Koehler

Communications: Jennifer Smerek

- **Bulletin Board:**
- **Facebook Page/Twitter/Instagram**

Principal: Rita Givlin

Teaching Staff: Lea Becker, Heike Koester

Non-Teaching Staff: Marjolein Wijbenga-Groot

Treasurer: Sherry Mahone, Lori Crewe

New members always welcome!